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- 1. Since 1 January 1947 the Chinese Communist Aviation School has been divided into three classes: the primary class at Mishan (132-0, 45-32); the intermediate class at Tungan (131-58, 45-35); the advanced class at Menchiang (125-14, 49-11). Primary class includes elementary flying; intermediate includes single-seat pursuit and/or bomber training. The training period for each class is ten months, and the top 20 graduates of each class may go to the USSR for advanced training. Both primary and intermediate classes use Soviet planes (I type fighters and SB light bombers), with Soviet aviators as instructors and Chinese who have finished advanced training in the USSR as assistant instructors. Since 1 May 150 cadets of the fifth class of the Chinese Communist Aviation School have entered primary class at Mishan. Intermediate class students left (Trungan?) for Menchiang on 27 April and entered advanced class on 1 May.
- 2. From 20-27 Wareh Chinese Communist airforce cadets at Menchiang practiced dive bombing and 11-plane formation flying with SB light bombers.
- 3. On 24 May at Henchiang airfield there were 34-36 Chinese Communist aviators, 19 Soviet aviators, one company of engineers, one company of ground troops (Chinese and Soviet mixed), and one regiment of guards, all Chinese and 1,500 strong. There were also 16 bombers, CANT 21007 type (?). These planes were 60 feet long, 15 feet high and had a wingspan of 80 feet.

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4. From 20 June to 25 July there were sationed at Henchiang sirfield about 120 pilots wearing sky-blue neck badge, six Soviet instructors, and 2,000 troops. There were three Junkers 88 ransports, five I-16 fighters, six

I-18 fighters and five SB light bomber.

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5. Before 1 March both airfields at Fuchin (131-59, 47-14) were repaired by Chinese Communist and Soviet workers.

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6. Since 16 July 17 (?full scale?) wooden motels of monoplane fighters, painted green-gray, have been on display around the Chinese Communist airfield at Tacnan (122-47, 45-21).

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